

## The Office of Secretary of State

## GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR CERTIFICATION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATORS AND LABORATORY ANALYSTS

## MINUTES January 17, 2008 Committee Meeting

The Georgia State Board of Examiners for Certification of Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators & Laboratory Analysts held their scheduled meeting on January 17, 2008, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA.

Chairman Robert Tant called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Having failed to establish a quorum, Chairman Tant declared the meeting to be held as a Committee Meeting of the Board with the following Board members present: Robert Tant, Chairman; Harry Jue; and Margaret Doss.

Also present was Steve Lindsey, Executive Director. Amelia Baker, Assistant Attorney General, was present by videoconference.

Chairman Tant announced that the Board will conduct a meeting by conference call at a later date. Mr. Lindsey, Executive Director, will contact each Board member to determine an acceptable date for the conference call meeting.

Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Jue seconded, and the committee recommended approval of the minutes of the November 7, 2007 meeting.

The committee reviewed a presentation from the Professional Licensing Boards Division Legal Section staff on guidelines for disciplinary actions referenced in O.C.G.A. § 43-1.

Since a quorum was not established, election of officers will be held at the March 20, 2007 meeting.

The committee reviewed a letter from Andrew Roy and determined that he had been issued an incorrect certification. The committee recommended that the Board staff make corrections and issue the correct certificate.

Ms. Doss moved, Mr. Jue seconded, and the committee recommended ratification of the licenses issued since the November 17, 2007 meeting.

Mr. Jue moved, Ms. Doss seconded, and the Committee voted to enter into **Executive Session**, in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h) to deliberate on applications and complaint matters. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included Board members Tant, Jue, and Doss. The Committee concluded **Executive Session** in order to act on these matters and to continue with the public session.

T E had an appointment with the Board to appeal the Board's decision to deny certification. Since a quorum was not present, the committee conducted an investigative interview with T E. The committee will discuss the information obtained during the interview with the full Board at the conference call meeting to be held later.

Investigative Reports:

Complaint # WW070005:

Pete Zorbanos with EPD presented an EPD report on an investigation pending before the Board. EPD has taken disciplinary action against the utility involved in the case. Lynn Eason, Enforcement Supervisor with PLB, presented a synopsis of the investigation performed by Enforcement investigators. Enforcement will present their case at the conference call meeting to be held later.

Attorney General Report:

Amelia Baker, Assistant Attorney General, present a status report to the committee.

The committee reviewed applications presented and made recommendations to be presented to the Board at the conference call meeting to be held later.

The committee reviewed applications for continuing education course approval and made recommendations to be presented to the Board at the conference call meeting to be held later.

There being no further business, the committee meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Minutes were approved at the March 20, 2008 meeting.